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In re Application of:

Richard M. KRIS et al.

Examiner: Christine L. Maupin

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT


Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Group II as defined on page 2 of the Office Action. It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner has not established that an undue searching burden would be required to examine the full scope of the claims. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that all claims be examined.

However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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